



# New Hampshire Department of Transportation Qualified Products List (QPL)

## User Guide

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) Qualified Products List (QPL) is a companion document to the Department's "Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction" (specifications). The QPL provides a listing of products that have been pre-qualified as being able to meet the requirements of specific sections of the specifications and associated supplemental specifications or special provisions as noted on the QPL.

QPL listed products have been evaluated against criteria that are designed to assure they will meet the requirements of a given specification. All products listed under a given product category of the QPL have been evaluated against the same criteria and should be considered as equals when used as per the referenced specification. Use of the product in a way other than as described in the referenced specification may result in unsatisfactory product performance.

Although QPL listed products have been pre-qualified, final acceptance of the product occurs when the product is properly used in the field as determined by the Engineer. A Certificate of Compliance, as per 106.04 of the specifications, must be provided to the Department's Contract Administrator when QPL listed products are used on NHDOT projects. Unless noted otherwise in the specification or on the QPL, these products may be used on highway and bridge projects without further testing.

A discrepancy between the QPL listed product name and the name shown on product labeling may be an indication that the supplied product has not been qualified.

Many products are marketed as having multiple uses. Products appearing on the QPL are only qualified for use as specified for the product category they appear under. If a product is qualified for more than one use, it will be listed under the additional categories it has been qualified for.

Inclusion of a product on the QPL does not imply that it meets all local, State, or Federal regulations related to safety or environmental issues in effect at the time of use. Manufacturers, suppliers, and contractors must be aware of, and comply with, all applicable regulations that govern product use. Of particular note are the following regulations from the NH Department of Environmental Services:

- NH Code of Administrative Rules Chapter Env-A 4200 Architectural and Industrial Maintenance Coatings

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- NH Code of Administrative Rules Chapter Env-Wq 1500 Alteration of Terrain

The manufacturer's Safety Data Sheet (formerly, MSDS) must be referred to before use of any product that appears on the QPL.

A product that falls into one of the QPL listed categories and is not listed shall not be used, unless qualified through written request to the NHDOT, Bureau of Materials & Research. Such request shall be made with sufficient lead-time to allow for an appropriate evaluation of the product. It should be noted that some product evaluations require a field performance evaluation of as much as 2 years.

Qualification of a product does not constitute an endorsement of the product, nor does it imply intent to purchase or specify the product.

The Department continues to evaluate its qualification criteria as well as products that have been qualified against them, and reserves the right to revise the criteria and/or withdraw product qualification at any time for any reason without notice.

The PEU maintains a summarized list logging all QPL changes. This log includes products removed and the dates of their removal, and is posted with the QPL on the QPL webpage.

For details on the NH DOT Qualified Products List processes refer to the "Product Evaluation Process" document on the QPL webpage.

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